# NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS DIVISION OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY RESOURCES WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM WEATHERIZATION BULLETIN # 301

### <u>Issued April 13,1999</u>

**To:** Executive Directors and Weatherization Managers

From: Clarice Sabree,-Sylla Supervisor, OLIEC

**Topic:** Discusses how to determine the amount of funds which may be spent to

provide weatherization to multi-family and group home buildings. Provides guidance concerning what a common area is and when the common area may be weatherized. Discusses how common area weatherization should be

reported on the Completed Units Report.

**Reference:** (1) DOE and DHS Contracts

(2) "The Renters Handbook", DOE publication dated August, 1984

(3) Weatherization Bulletin #303

(4) Weatherization Bulletin #304

(5) Weatherization Bulletin #305

**Summary:** Buildings which contain more than one dwelling unit (multi-family, group

homes) are eligible for a maximum expenditure of weatherization funds equal to the number of eligible units times the maximum average allowable unit cost. In addition to eligible units, multi-family buildings may also contain ineligible units and/or common areas. Weatherization tactics may only be applied to common areas and ineligible units when a sufficient number of the building's dwelling units are income- or categorically-eligible

for program services.

If weatherization is limited to the eligible units, then only those units weatherized should be reported. When weatherization is applied to common areas and/or ineligible units, all eligible units in the building should be reported as completed units. This reporting should include zero entries for any eligible units which did not receive direct weatherization services. Ineligible units and common areas should only be reported when they receive direct weatherization services. Labor and material costs listed on the Completed Units Report should accurately reflect the work performed on each unit or area of the building.

The maximum amount of Weatherization Assistance Program funds that may be spent on shell weatherization services at a multi-family or group home building is calculated by multiplying

the number of eligible dwelling units times the maximum average allowable unit cost (this figure is currently \$2,032 for all shell weatherization contracts).

FORMULA:	EXAMPLE:		
		Regular	Capital Intensive
number of eligible dwelling units x maximum average allowable units		10	10
cost	_	<u>x 2032</u>	<u>x 4632</u>
maximum \$ to be spent		20320	46320

To allow for agency program support costs, the actual direct expenditure to weatherize the building for materials and installation labor should be less than this amount.

In calculating the amount of program funds that are to be spent in a multi-family building, agencies must factor in landlord leveraging as stated in all Weatherization Contracts. Also see, Weatherization Bulletins #304 and #305.

The figure calculated using the above formula is the Building Weatherization Budget. Once this figure is known, it must then be determined <u>where</u> on the building the funds will be spent. Two factors must be considered when making this determination. First is the 50/66% rule, and second are the results of the EA-QUIP Energy Audit.

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Weatherization Bulletin #301 Attachment A

	COMMON AF	REA WEATHERIZATION
	DW	ELLING UNITS
%		NUMBER OF UNITS
MINIMUM % REQUIRED	TOTAL # IN BUILDING	MINIMUM # ELIGIBLE REQUIRED TO QUALIFY COMMON AREA WX
	2	1
50%	3	2
	4	2
	5	4
	6	4
	7	5
	8	6
	9	6
	10	7
	11	8
66%	12	8
	13	9
	14	10
	15	10
	16	11
	17	12
	18	12
	19	13
	20	14
	>20	X 0.66, round up

Weatherization Bulletin # 301 Attachment B

	REPORTING OF M	ULTI-FAMILY WEA	THERIZATION	
% ELIGIBLE	EXTENT OF	AREAS OF BUILDING		
FOR WX	WEATHERIZATION FUNDS	ELIGIBLE UNITS	INELIGIBLE UNITS	COMMON AREAS
LESS THAN	ONLY	REPORT	NOTHING	NOTHING
50/66	ELIGIBLES	ONLY THOSE	TO	TO
%	ALLOWED	WEATHERIZED	REPORT	REPORT
	ONLY	REPORT	NOTHING	NOTHING
	ELIGIBLES	ONLY THOSE	TO	TO
MORE THAN	WEATHERIZED	WEATHERIZED	REPORT	REPORT
OR	FULL	REPORT	REPORT	REPORT
EQUAL	BUILDING	ALL	WEATHERIZED	WEATHERIZED
TO	WEATHERIZATION	UNITS	UNITS	AREAS
50/66	COMMON	REPORT	NOTHING	REPORT
%	AREA ONLY	ALL	TO	WEATHERIZED
	WEATHERIZATION	UNITS	REPORT	AREAS

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### Updated and Reissued September 20,2012

**To:** Executive Directors and Weatherization Managers

From: Angie Armand, MAS, CPM Supervisor

Office of Low-Income Energy Conservation

Re: Weatherization of Group Homes, Shelters, and Transitional Facilities (Supersedes WB #302 dated March 15, 1999)

This Bulletin is intended to establish policy under the Weatherization Program regarding the weatherization of group homes and shelters containing single-room living quarters. The group home policy is directed at broadening the scope of weatherization services.

A grantee may weatherize as a multi-family dwelling unit any group home which contains living quarters in which the occupants do not live as a family unit or as one household, but who share a common dining facility. The facility may house long or short term residents.

The following definitions will serve as guidelines for the policy:

- "Single-family dwelling unit" means a house or stationary mobile home whose occupants live together as a family or household and share all the facilities of the dwelling unit in common, particularly common access to their dwelling unit and a common kitchen.
- "Group home or shelter" means a structure containing more than one dwelling unit where the primary living quarters are a single-room or group of rooms and whose occupants share a common cooking area, dining facilities or have no cooking facilities whatsoever. This structure has three or more people, not related by blood or marriage, residing in a single units, not owned by a government agency.
- In units occupied by more than one resident (i.e., group home with two or three beds per room), unit eligibility will be determined by the following criteria:
- At least one resident of each unit to be weatherized must be income eligible in accordance with Weatherization Assistance Program eligibility requirements (i.e., income does not exceed 150% of Federal Poverty Guidelines or; applicant receives cash assistance payments' under Title IV or Title XVI of the Social Security Act or applicable State or Local Laws).

Only one application is needed for each unit. The application will list the name of the income-eligible individual in each unit (room) to be weatherized.

When documentation of individual resident income eligibility is impractical due to a high rate of turnover amount residents operators of eligible facilities must complete the Application for Shelters, Group Homes and Transitional Facilities and include the following support documentation:

- 1.A signed statement from the facility operator attesting that the individuals/households residing in the facility are income eligible.
- 2.A copy of the organization's income guidelines or a copy of the organization's mission statement in lieu of individual resident income verification.

The group must have a clearly defined identity that distinguishes it from more informal, family-type settings, for example, a residence for disabled individuals. Residents of group homes and shelter facilities are not eligible to apply on their own behalf. An operator of a documented group home or shelter may apply for weatherization on behalf of residents provided that the individuals or families residing in such group homes or shelters meet the eligibility requirements as stated above. In such a case, the income of all residents of the group home or shelter must be considered.

If a part of a building is being or will be used as a group home or shelter, then only that part of the dwelling housing the group home or shelter residents can be weatherized. If an entire building is being used as a group home or shelter, then one of two ways should be used to determine the number of units and the dollar amount to be expended on the building if individual units cannot be easily identified.

- 1. Agencies may count each 800 sq. ft. of the shelter as a dwelling unit or may count each floor as a dwelling unit.
- 2. The maximum amount of the allocation to weatherize the group homes will be determined by multiplying the number of eligible dwelling units by the maximum expenditure per unit.
- 3. The number of eligible units will be determined by the sub-grantee in accordance with the above-mentioned criteria and will be subject to verification by the field monitor.

The local agency should request from the operator documentation that provides the dwelling unit is a group home or shelter. Documentation may include a notarized letter denoting group home or shelter authorization.

The local agency must take applications from each family units residing in the group home or shelter and secure income documentation from each family unit. When taking applications for group homes or shelters, proof of ownership need only be secured for the operator. Evidence of ownership must be maintained in each file.

A group home or shelter cannot be weatherized until it is occupied.

# Weatherization Assistance Program Application for Shelters, Group Homes, and Transitional Facilities

Agency Use Only			
Date:	Agency:	County:	
Name of Facility:			
Applicant/Operator's	Name:		
Facility Phone Number	er:		
Address of Facility:			
City, State, Zip:			
Owner(s) or Organiza	tion Name:		
Organization Phone N	Iumber:		
Owner/Organization	Address:		
(If different from above	ve)		
City, State, Zip:			
Name of Designated (	Official:		
Title of Official:			
Housing Type (Ch	neck One):		
Single Unit	Multi Unit	Total # Eligible Units:	
Heating Fuel - Main S	Source of Heat (Check O	ne):	
Electric	Oil Gas	Wood Other	

I certify that the information I have provided on this application is accurate to the best of my knowledge. I further certify that the incomes of the persons/families residing in the facility of the organization I represent are at or below 200 percent of federal poverty guidelines or 60 percent of the state median income, whichever is greater. I have submitted a letter attesting to these facts and have included a copy of the organization's income guidelines or a copy of the organization's mission statement in lieu of individual resident income verification. If I have knowingly provided false information which results in receiving assistance for which the organization is not eligible, I may be subject to criminal prosecution.

I further understand that I may file a grievance for either of the following reasons:

- 1. The application was not acted upon within a reasonable time.
- 2. The application was denied and I think the facility is eligible to be weatherized under this program.

I also agree that in consideration of weatherization work to be performed, the rent, charges, or fees charged to the occupants of the property being weatherized will not be increased because of any increase in the value of the property due solely to weatherization assistance.

(Applicant/Operator's Signature)	(Date Signed)
property within years aft	erty as a, which serves low-a period of years. In the event that I sell the er weatherization work is completed, or if the property ceases, I will comply with one of the two following
to the percentage of the	date of sale or at the date of discontinuance an amount equal year/month period remaining, times the full value of nted by agency work records; or
2. I will obtain in writing prior t property as a	o sale the purchaser's agreement to continue operating the for the remaining term.
(Property Owner's Signature)	(Date Signed)

# NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS DIVISION OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY RESOURCES WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM WEATHERIZATION BULLETIN # 303

### **Issued April 12,1999**

To: Executive Directors and Weatherization Managers

From: Clarice S. Sabree-Sylla; Supervisor, OLIEC

# Re: Weatherization of Dwelling Units Owned or Operated by (or on behalf of) Religious Groups or Organizations

Dwelling units as defined above may be weatherized under the provisions of the Weatherization Assistance Program only where the following conditions are met:

The owner and/or owner's representative must sign assurances guaranteeing that:

- 1. In units weatherized, the owners and/or operators shall not:
  - a. conduct religious activities
  - b. display religious symbols (see note)
  - c. require or encourage tenants to engage in religious activities, services, etc.
- 2. In renting the units weatherized, the owners and/or operators shall not discriminate on the basis of any tenant's/applicant's religious affiliation or lack thereof, or on the basis of any tenant's/applicant's refusal to participate in any religious activity.

Weatherization work shall not be performed in rooms or areas of the building used for religious activities or services.

Note: This does not preclude tenants from displaying religious symbols or undertaking religious activities when such items represent the tenant's own volition

# NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS DIVISION OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY RESOURCES WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM WEATHERIZATION BULLETIN # 304

### Updated and Reissued September 20,2012

**TO:** Executive Directors and Weatherization Managers

**FROM** Angie Armand, MAS, CPM Supervisor

Office of Low-Income Energy Conservation

RE: Landlord Leveraging Policy and Landlord Leveraging Escrow Agreements and

**Contribution Agreements for Single-Family Units** 

Provides guidance regarding mandatory and suggested percentages for landlord contributions for heating system upgrades and shell weatherization measures.

Establishes procedures for requesting a waiver from the mandatory landlord contribution for heating system upgrades. Requires sub-grantees to make the correction of health and safety issues a pre-condition for weatherization.

Also provides standard escrow contracts that must be completed when agencies receive landlord contributions. Escrow agreements must be notarized, and the original maintained in the client file. The revised escrow agreement is for use by agencies that utilize crew labor instead of contractors. The original version issued May 10, 1994 is for use by agencies that utilize contractors. No additions or deletions may be made to this document without prior approval of the OLIEC. Agencies are required to maintain an escrow account at a financial institution where contributions will be deposited. If the agency decides to accept installment payments from a landlord, it is strongly suggested that all payments be received before material/equipment is ordered and installed.

This Bulletin is being revised to provide standard Landlord Contribution Agreement for single-family rental units (one-four [1-4] units). If landlord contributions are leveraged, an agreement must be maintained in the appropriate client file. Funds obtained for the weatherization of single-family rental units (one-four [1-4] units) do not need to be placed in an escrow account.

### LANDLORD LEVERAGING POLICY

Weatherization Sub-grantees are advised that all landlords not income-eligible for weatherization services are required to contribute funds towards the cost of installing conservation measures in their buildings.

There is a mandatory contribution requirement for all heating system upgrades of 50% of the total cost. Sub-grantees may expend up to the maximum per unit expenditure limit, or 50% of the total cost, whichever is less. Any additional cost must be incurred by the landlord.

On a case by case basis, sub-grantees may request a waiver from this requirement if the following factors exist:

- 1. The landlord owns one rental property with no more than two dwelling units.
- 2. The landlord has submitted income documentation and is only moderately above program income guidelines. Based on the calculation worksheet found in Weatherization Bulletin #103, adjusted income cannot exceed 200% of poverty.

If a landlord is not eligible for a waiver, and refuses to contribute towards the cost of weatherization, the sub-grantee may de-prioritize the unit(s) and serve other units for which they have received contributions. Units that are eligible for the program must be served, however, landlord contributions must be considered when the scope of work to be performed is determined.

Sub-grantees are advised to request a 50% landlord contribution for shell weatherization, or conservation measures related to the building envelope. If the landlord cannot contribute 50%, the agency must require a minimum contribution, which may include cash, materials, and labor. There is a mandatory landlord contribution for shell weatherization in rental property, which is a minimum of 25%.

#### Allowable Measures

Leveraged funds may be expended on weatherization measures or related issues. Sub-grantees should not weatherize any rental units that have health and safety issues that must be addressed by the landlord, until those problems are resolved. Obvious code violations such as exposed electrical wires, water or sewage leaks in basements, asbestos contamination, etc. cannot be charged as energy-related issues, but the agency should still require the landlord to correct these problems as a pre-condition for weatherization.

The cost for the correction of non-energy related issues should not be considered a part of the contribution required for weatherization, since it cannot be reported to DOE as leveraged funds.

### **Leveraging Prohibition**

Contributions cannot be requested from income-eligible homeowners. If the unit requires capital intensive measures that will exceed the per unit maximum expenditure limit, then the sub-grantee must request a waiver if required to provide effective weatherization.

### **Escrow Agreement**

All funds received from landlords for weatherization in multi-family dwellings must be deposited in an escrow account, and handled according to the terms outlined in the Escrow Agreement. The agreement must be signed by the owner and the sub-grantee. All funds contributed by a landlord must be expended in his building(s) and no other. Any funds remaining after work is completed must be returned to the landlord, or used for additional measures if approved by the owner.

### **Program Income**

Landlord contributions are not program income. If the sub-grantee uses crew labor instead of contractors, then the agency may use a portion of the landlord contribution to cover the cost of crew labor for work on the landlord's building(s) only.

### **Expenditure Requirements**

Landlord contributions must be expended in the same percentages as regular weatherization grant funds. The current policy is a minimum of 30% for materials and a maximum of 70% for program support.

# $\frac{\textbf{MULTI-FAMILY BUILDING IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM}}{\textbf{ESCROW AGREEMENT}}$

Agreement, made this	day of	,
by and between		_ hereinafter
called		
and(called Owner).		
(called Owner).		
Whereas Owner is the owner of the	building or buildings located	at
		_, N. J., and wishes
to weatherize the building(s) pursua	ant to a Weatherization Assista	ance Program Landlord
Agreement; and;		
Whereas	_ is the administrator of a	
Weatherization Assistance Program	n (WAP) in	
funded by the	and;	
Whereas the purpose of the Program	m is to weatherize buildings oc	ecupied by low-income
families and to encourage the Owne	ers of such buildings to add the	eir own funds to the WAP
grant; and		
Whereas the Owner has agreed to p	provide funds in the amount of	
\$	, in payments of	
\$	, due no later than	, and
\$	, due no later than	, and
\$	, due no later than	, to
increase the extent of the weatheriz	ation work to be performed in	the building:

Therefore,agrees to act as Escrow
Agent for the Owner for the amount of the Owner's contribution and to deposit these funds in
duly established Escrow Account . All funds deposited in this Escrow Account shall be
expended pursuant to a Contract or purchase order to be executed between the Owner and a
third party contractor/vendor who shall perform the work and/or provide the materials for the
weatherization improvements, that will be determined by and specifically described in an
Energy Audit to be completed by the Weatherization Assistance Program,
shall not be responsible for the construction means, methods,
techniques, sequences and/or procedures employed by the contractors in the performance
of their contracts, and shall not be responsible for the failure to carry out work in accordance
with the contract documents.
shall have no responsibility for the contractors' performance except to
notify the Owner of the contractors' progress and the quality of the workmanship. In the event
the Owner provides funds for the purchase of materials, and
is to supply the labor for installation, then
in that case shall only be responsible for the work being done in a worker-like manner, and
shall not warrant the materials purchased. The work will start on or about and shall be
completed no later than
The Owner has agreed to invest \$in the cost of weatherization work.
shall not charge the owner a fee for the administration of

this Escrow Agreement. However, i	t is understood that any interest earn	ed on funds in the
Escrow Account shall be the proper	ty of	for the use in
weatherization-related work, includ	ing bank charges and audit fees relat	ted to this account.
All funds provided under this agree	ment shall be expended in the Owne	r's building(s) and no
other. Any unspent funds shall be re	efunded to the Owner(s) or used for a	additional work, as the
Owner chooses. The Owner agrees	and understands that all work financ	ed by funds provided
under this agreement shall be solely	for weatherization improvements id	lentified in the Energy
Audit of the building and heating sy	stem to be prepared by	staff on
(insert date)		
shall	l inspect the work as it progresses, a	nd shall pay the
contractor out of the funds held in t	this Escrow Account.	shall retain a
minimum of 10% of the contract un	til the Owner is satisfied that all wor	rk is completed, and has
provided written confirmation to that	at effect.	will have
no other responsibilities and/or obli	gations except those explicitly stated	l is this Escrow
Agreement.		
Name and Address of Agency:		
By:(Signature)	DATE:	
Building Address:		
Owner's Name:	Telephone	
Owner's Signature	Date:	

# MULTI-FAMILY BUILDING IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

### **ESCROW AGREEMENT**

Agreement, made this	day of	,
called	and	
(hereinafter called Owner).		
Wharaas Owner is the owner of	f the building or buildings located at _	
N I and wishes to weather	erize the building(s) pursuant to a Wea	therization Assistance
Program Landlord Agreement;		dictization Assistance
rogram Landiora rigicement,	und	
Whereas	_ is the administrator and contractor fo	or a Weatherization
	funded by the	
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=	nployed in the performance of their co	

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is to supply the labor for installation, thenin that case shall only be responsible for the work being done in a worker-like manner, and shall not warrant
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The work will start on or about199_ and shall be completed no later
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weatherization work.
shall not charge the owner a fee for the administration of this
Escrow Agreement. However, it is understood that any interest earned on funds in the Escrow
Account shall be the property of for use in weatherization-
related work, including bank charges and audit fees related to this account.
All funds provided under this agreement shall be expended in the Owner's building and no
other. Any unspent funds shall be refunded to the Owner or used for additional work, as the
Owner chooses.
The Owner agrees and understands that all work financed by funds provided under this
agreement shall be solely for weatherization improvements identified in the Energy Audit of
the building and heating system to be prepared bystaff and/or the
utility company on
(insert date)
shall inspect the work as it progresses, and shall draw down
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of the contract amount in the Escrow Account, which shall not be drawn down until the
Owner is satisfied that all work is completed, and has provided written confirmation to that
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explicitly stated in this Escrow Agreement.
Name and Address of Agency
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by: Date:
(Signature)
Duilding Address
Building Address:
Owner's Name: Telephone:
(Print or Type)
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Owner's Signature: Date:

# LANDLORD CONTRIBUTION AGREEMENT SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLINGS (ONE-FOUR UNITS)

The Weatherization Assistance Program requires monetary contributions from landlords of one-
four (1-4) unit buildings. Weatherization agencies are only authorized to pay up to the
maximum per unit expenditure limit which is or fifty percent of the total cost of heating system upgrades (whichever is less). Landlords are also expected to contribute a
portion of the cost for low-priority measures such as replacement windows.
portion of the cost for low-priority measures such as replacement windows.
This agreement is between or the agency and
who is the owner of the property that is occupied by
who is the owner of the property that is occupied by who is eligible for weatherization assistance. The total cost for
installing energy conservation measures on your building(s) located at
<u>is \$</u>
The percentage you agree to contribute for heating system improvement is % or \$
The percentage you agree to contribute for regular weatherization (per work order) is
% or \$
The total amount you are contributing is \$
Check One Method of Payment (No Cash Please)
Personal CheckCertified Bank Check
Money Order
Check made out to Agency
Check made out to Installing Contractor
Installment Payments? yes no
No work will begin until all payments are received.
By signing this agreement, I acknowledge review and approval of the work order which itemizes what materials will be installed on my property. I understand that all work completed through the Weatherization Assistance Program must meet minimum standards and guidelines for proper installation and operation.
I also understand that 100% of the funds I contribute will be expended for material and labor cost for my building(s) only. Any funds not expended for this purpose will be refunded to me upon completion of the job.
Building owner Signature
Date signed
Date signed
Date signed

# NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS DIVISION OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY RESOURCES WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM WEATHERIZATION BULLETIN # 305

# Issued April 9,1999

**To:** Executive Directors and Weatherization Managers

From: Clarice Sabree-Sylla, Supervisor, OLIEC

**Topic:** Landlord Leveraging Policy

**Reference:** Weatherization Bulletin #114 & 304,

10CFR440. 22 (d)

**Summary:** Provides guidance regarding mandatory and suggested percentages

for landlord contributions for heating system upgrades and shell weatherization measures. Establishes procedures for requesting a waiver from the mandatory landlord contribution for heating system upgrades. Requires sub-grantees to make the correction of health and

safety issues a pre-condition for weatherization.

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The cost for the correction of non-energy related issues should not be considered a part of the contribution required for weatherization, since it cannot be reported to DOE as leveraged funds.

### Leveraging Prohibition

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#### **Escrow Agreement**

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#### Program Income

Landlord contributions are not program income. If the sub-grantee uses crew labor instead of contractors, then the agency may use a portion of the landlord contribution to cover the cost of crew labor for work on the landlord's building(s) only.

### **Expenditure Requirements**

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# NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS DIVISION OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY RESOURCES WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM WEATHERIZATION BULLETIN # 306

### **Updated and Reissued September 20,2012**

**To:** Executive Directors and Weatherization Managers

**From:** Angie Armand, MAS, CPM Supervisor

Office of Low-Income Energy Conservation

**Topic:** Buildings Scheduled for Demolition

(Supersedes Weatherization Bulletin #306 dated March 15, 1999)

**Summary:** Extends the DOE contractual prohibition against weatherization of buildings

scheduled for demolition to all weatherization programs.

DOE Weatherization contracts currently state in Attachment "C", Part VI 4, "No unit shall be weatherized which is designated for acquisition or clearance by a Federal, State or Local program within twelve (12) months from the date that weatherization of such a unit would be scheduled to be completed".

Effective immediately, this language is binding on the DHS Weatherization Program, as well as the DOE program.

In addition to the prohibition against weatherization of buildings scheduled for Federal, State or Local acquisition/clearance, agencies should also strive to avoid weatherization of buildings which are scheduled for private sector clearance.

Each sub-grantee is responsible for devising management systems to implement this policy. An addendum to the existing "Owner's Permission To Weatherize" form, wherein building owners would affirm that the building to be weatherized is not scheduled for demolition, is sufficient to establish conformance with this Bulletin.

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**To:** Executive Directors and Weatherization Managers

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**Date:** May 23, 2006

**RE:** Material and Labor Cost

### Allowable Material and Labor/Support Cost

The Office of Low-Income Energy Conservation is providing clarification on the allowable methodology for charging material and labor cost. As you know, there is no longer a requirement to charge a set percentage of material and labor.

There is still a requirement to charge the cost of a unit to both material and labor and to health and safety when appropriate.

Agencies cannot charge all of the cost of a unit to material or labor. When funds are leveraged for Weatherization, the percentage of material and labor charged for those funds must be the same percentage as used for the weatherization funds expended in the building.

When an agency is installing materials using crew labor it is understood that the labor cost will not appear on the Completed Units Report because the cost of in-house labor is captured on the fiscal report.

This office reserves the right to disallow units that have material and labor ratios that are not reflective of the work reported. Example: The retrofit of windows by installing caulking and glazing and charging cost to material only, when this is a labor intensive job.

To avoid disallowed cost, Weatherization Managers are encouraged to consult their assigned monitor on the proper method of charging material and labor.